

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE - APRIL 2026

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U.S. (000 - not seasonally adjusted)	169,548	162,781	6,768	4.0	170,102	162,764	7,337	4.3	170,650	164,069	6,582	3.9
MISSOURI (not seasonally adjusted)	3,178,481	3,068,974	109,507	3.4	3,166,418	3,034,530	131,888	4.2	3,175,122	3,058,158	116,964	3.7
<u>METROPOLITAN AREAS</u>												
CAPE GIRARDEAU MSA	50,231	48,646	1,585	3.2	50,340	48,384	1,956	3.9	50,292	48,591	1,701	3.4
CAPE GIRARDEAU MSA (MO PT)	48,623	47,132	1,491	3.1	48,704	46,855	1,849	3.8	48,649	47,039	1,610	3.3
Bollinger	5,037	4,884	153	3.0	5,036	4,842	194	3.9	5,030	4,848	182	3.6
Cape Girardeau	43,586	42,248	1,338	3.1	43,668	42,013	1,655	3.8	43,619	42,191	1,428	3.3
COLUMBIA MSA	117,367	113,894	3,473	3.0	117,528	113,354	4,174	3.6	116,732	113,086	3,646	3.1
Boone	104,500	101,425	3,075	2.9	104,706	101,040	3,666	3.5	104,033	100,798	3,235	3.1
Cooper	8,031	7,778	253	3.2	8,000	7,683	317	4.0	7,913	7,660	253	3.2
Howard	4,836	4,691	145	3.0	4,822	4,631	191	4.0	4,786	4,628	158	3.3
JEFFERSON CITY MSA	78,153	75,979	2,174	2.8	78,039	75,402	2,637	3.4	77,421	75,077	2,344	3.0
Callaway	22,309	21,651	658	2.9	22,257	21,457	800	3.6	22,084	21,387	697	3.2
Cole	40,804	39,671	1,133	2.8	40,845	39,482	1,363	3.3	40,487	39,279	1,208	3.0
Moniteau	7,589	7,382	207	2.7	7,537	7,285	252	3.3	7,484	7,260	224	3.0
Osage	7,451	7,275	176	2.4	7,400	7,178	222	3.0	7,366	7,151	215	2.9
JOPLIN MSA	100,062	96,738	3,324	3.3	100,202	96,272	3,930	3.9	99,043	95,478	3,565	3.6
Jasper	62,170	60,110	2,060	3.3	62,257	59,824	2,433	3.9	61,521	59,343	2,178	3.5
Newton	28,557	27,608	949	3.3	28,541	27,410	1,131	4.0	28,176	27,145	1,031	3.7
KANSAS CITY MSA	1,220,320	1,179,646	40,674	3.3	1,217,245	1,169,283	47,962	3.9	1,224,815	1,179,983	44,832	3.7
KANSAS CITY MSA (MO PT)	709,614	686,047	23,567	3.3	706,411	678,205	28,206	4.0	709,831	683,350	26,481	3.7
Bates	7,838	7,571	267	3.4	7,698	7,390	308	4.0	7,715	7,427	288	3.7
Caldwell	4,284	4,155	129	3.0	4,235	4,074	161	3.8	4,256	4,098	158	3.7
Cass	61,193	59,331	1,862	3.0	60,807	58,567	2,240	3.7	60,974	58,949	2,025	3.3
Clay	145,941	141,524	4,417	3.0	145,169	139,901	5,268	3.6	146,151	141,152	4,999	3.4
Clinton	10,740	10,397	343	3.2	10,673	10,240	433	4.1	10,714	10,327	387	3.6
Jackson	387,572	373,763	13,809	3.6	386,285	369,807	16,478	4.3	388,082	372,513	15,569	4.0
Lafayette	17,379	16,836	543	3.1	17,266	16,579	687	4.0	17,322	16,710	612	3.5
Platte	62,974	61,146	1,828	2.9	62,652	60,475	2,177	3.5	62,950	60,926	2,024	3.2
Ray	11,693	11,324	369	3.2	11,626	11,172	454	3.9	11,667	11,248	419	3.6
ST. JOSEPH MSA	55,190	53,250	1,940	3.5	55,162	52,775	2,387	4.3	54,879	52,835	2,044	3.7
ST. JOSEPH MSA (MO PT)	51,432	49,610	1,822	3.5	51,368	49,128	2,240	4.4	51,097	49,187	1,910	3.7
Andrew	8,903	8,633	270	3.0	8,881	8,524	357	4.0	8,836	8,548	288	3.3
Buchanan	38,619	37,198	1,421	3.7	38,614	36,899	1,715	4.4	38,411	36,935	1,476	3.8
Dekalb	3,910	3,779	131	3.4	3,873	3,705	168	4.3	3,850	3,704	146	3.8
ST. LOUIS MSA	1,478,358	1,425,101	53,257	3.6	1,478,139	1,414,647	63,492	4.3	1,489,802	1,436,889	52,913	3.6
ST. LOUIS MSA (MO PT)	1,152,683	1,111,856	40,827	3.5	1,148,541	1,100,300	48,241	4.2	1,157,031	1,114,862	42,169	3.6
Franklin	53,963	52,201	1,762	3.3	53,769	51,604	2,165	4.0	54,108	52,266	1,842	3.4
Jefferson	124,303	120,259	4,044	3.3	123,873	119,009	4,864	3.9	124,891	120,618	4,273	3.4
Lincoln	33,536	32,418	1,118	3.3	33,415	32,038	1,377	4.1	33,621	32,474	1,147	3.4
St. Charles	239,270	232,039	7,231	3.0	238,178	229,547	8,631	3.6	240,397	232,762	7,635	3.2
St. Louis Co.	526,233	506,633	19,600	3.7	524,482	501,529	22,953	4.4	527,884	507,984	19,900	3.8
Warren	19,805	19,163	642	3.2	19,703	18,931	772	3.9	19,854	19,213	641	3.2
St. Louis City	155,573	149,143	6,430	4.1	155,121	147,642	7,479	4.8	156,276	149,545	6,731	4.3

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SPRINGFIELD MSA	248,499	240,297	8,202	3.3	248,181	238,333	9,848	4.0	246,838	238,237	8,601	3.5
Christian	48,498	47,046	1,452	3.0	48,487	46,704	1,783	3.7	48,192	46,635	1,557	3.2
Dallas	7,262	6,969	293	4.0	7,239	6,883	356	4.9	7,205	6,878	327	4.5
Greene	158,926	153,640	5,286	3.3	158,787	152,489	6,298	4.0	158,067	152,586	5,481	3.5
Polk	15,279	14,745	534	3.5	15,152	14,513	639	4.2	15,089	14,499	590	3.9
Webster	18,534	17,897	637	3.4	18,516	17,744	772	4.2	18,285	17,639	646	3.5
<u>MICROPOLITAN AREAS</u>												
BRANSON (Taney Co.)	27,012	25,799	1,213	4.5	26,869	25,132	1,737	6.5	26,853	25,557	1,296	4.8
FARMINGTON (St. Francois Co.)	28,296	27,166	1,130	4.0	28,238	26,819	1,419	5.0	28,541	27,323	1,218	4.3
FT. LEONARD WOOD (Pulaski Co.)	19,202	18,516	686	3.6	19,391	18,547	844	4.4	19,586	18,843	743	3.8
HANNIBAL	18,364	17,757	607	3.3	18,224	17,453	771	4.2	18,445	17,754	691	3.7
Marion	13,053	12,610	443	3.4	12,974	12,422	552	4.3	13,171	12,662	509	3.9
Ralls	5,311	5,147	164	3.1	5,250	5,031	219	4.2	5,274	5,092	182	3.5
KENNETT (Dunklin Co.)	12,090	11,482	608	5.0	12,022	11,323	699	5.8	12,062	11,461	601	5.0
KIRKSVILLE	13,554	13,056	498	3.7	13,418	12,774	644	4.8	13,245	12,726	519	3.9
Adair	10,944	10,515	429	3.9	10,822	10,274	548	5.1	10,944	10,503	441	4.0
Schuyler	2,610	2,541	69	2.6	2,596	2,500	96	3.7	2,301	2,223	78	3.4
LEBANON (Laclede Co.)	16,207	15,525	682	4.2	16,239	15,411	828	5.1	16,247	15,536	711	4.4
MARSHALL (Saline Co.)	12,193	11,826	367	3.0	11,988	11,545	443	3.7	12,027	11,654	373	3.1
MARYVILLE (Nodaway Co.)	12,434	12,141	293	2.4	12,151	11,780	371	3.1	12,337	11,999	338	2.7
MEXICO (Audrain Co.)	10,461	10,098	363	3.5	10,445	10,014	431	4.1	10,617	10,217	400	3.8
MOBERLY (Randolph Co.)	11,240	10,878	362	3.2	11,265	10,827	438	3.9	11,189	10,809	380	3.4
POPLAR BLUFF (Butler Co.)	17,024	16,268	756	4.4	17,143	16,201	942	5.5	17,417	16,596	821	4.7
ROLLA (Phelps Co.)	21,329	20,606	723	3.4	21,345	20,466	879	4.1	21,018	20,255	763	3.6
SEDALIA (Pettis Co.)	21,307	20,565	742	3.5	21,240	20,385	855	4.0	20,870	20,139	731	3.5
SIKESTON	23,257	22,401	856	3.7	23,203	22,156	1,047	4.5	23,109	22,190	919	4.0
Mississippi	4,101	3,891	210	5.1	4,038	3,793	245	6.1	4,051	3,834	217	5.4
Scott	19,156	18,510	646	3.4	19,165	18,363	802	4.2	19,058	18,356	702	3.7
WARRENSBURG (Johnson Co.)	26,195	25,329	866	3.3	25,855	24,785	1,070	4.1	26,135	25,217	918	3.5
WEST PLAINS (Howell Co.)	16,625	15,969	656	3.9	16,604	15,832	772	4.6	16,582	15,866	716	4.3
QUINCY IL-MO (MO PT - Lewis Co.)	4,314	4,143	171	4.0	4,322	4,101	221	5.1	4,285	4,115	170	4.0
<u>COMBINED STATISTICAL AREAS (CSAs)</u>												
Cape Girardeau-Sikeston CSA ¹	73,488	71,047	2,441	3.3	73,543	70,540	3,003	4.1	73,401	70,781	2,620	3.6
Columbia-Moberly-Mexico CSA ²	217,221	210,849	6,372	2.9	217,277	209,597	7,680	3.5	215,959	209,189	6,770	3.1
Joplin-Miami CSA ³	113,774	109,885	3,889	3.4	114,049	109,572	4,477	3.9	113,165	109,155	4,010	3.5
Kansas City-Overland Park-KC KS CSA ⁴	1,396,469	1,350,057	46,412	3.3	1,392,723	1,337,958	54,765	3.9	1,401,532	1,350,582	50,950	3.6
St. Louis-St. Charles-Farmington CSA ⁵	1,522,435	1,467,345	55,090	3.6	1,522,463	1,456,684	65,779	4.3	1,534,575	1,479,832	54,743	3.6
<u>SINGLE COUNTY LMAs</u>												
Atchison	2,971	2,897	74	2.5	2,926	2,833	93	3.2	2,895	2,819	76	2.6
Barry	14,597	14,042	555	3.8	14,477	13,815	662	4.6	14,671	14,087	584	4.0
Barton	5,706	5,527	179	3.1	5,578	5,370	208	3.7	5,572	5,368	204	3.7
Benton	7,718	7,384	334	4.3	7,590	7,185	405	5.3	7,617	7,239	378	5.0
Camden	20,163	19,367	796	3.9	19,745	18,696	1,049	5.3	20,027	19,162	865	4.3
Carroll	4,173	4,020	153	3.7	4,083	3,908	175	4.3	4,101	3,947	154	3.8
Carter	2,255	2,167	88	3.9	2,228	2,125	103	4.6	2,248	2,155	93	4.1
Cedar	5,788	5,581	207	3.6	5,766	5,498	268	4.6	5,577	5,346	231	4.1
Chariton	3,453	3,351	102	3.0	3,434	3,297	137	4.0	3,408	3,293	115	3.4
Clark	3,023	2,920	103	3.4	2,988	2,853	135	4.5	3,039	2,902	137	4.5

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Crawford	9,903	9,519	384	3.9	9,845	9,367	478	4.9	9,932	9,501	431	4.3
Dade	3,453	3,341	112	3.2	3,396	3,256	140	4.1	3,387	3,270	117	3.5
Daviess	4,254	4,137	117	2.8	4,188	4,043	145	3.5	4,163	4,048	115	2.8
Dent	6,497	6,280	217	3.3	6,506	6,222	284	4.4	6,533	6,296	237	3.6
Douglas	5,050	4,843	207	4.1	4,971	4,740	231	4.6	5,079	4,875	204	4.0
Gasconade	7,282	7,067	215	3.0	7,230	6,967	263	3.6	7,295	7,049	246	3.4
Gentry	3,023	2,945	78	2.6	3,001	2,901	100	3.3	3,048	2,948	100	3.3
Grundy	4,152	3,990	162	3.9	4,102	3,927	175	4.3	4,179	4,008	171	4.1
Harrison	3,811	3,689	122	3.2	3,758	3,604	154	4.1	3,777	3,641	136	3.6
Henry	10,918	10,568	350	3.2	10,906	10,484	422	3.9	10,858	10,470	388	3.6
Hickory	2,938	2,790	148	5.0	2,860	2,683	177	6.2	2,893	2,703	190	6.6
Holt	2,043	1,978	65	3.2	1,990	1,915	75	3.8	2,025	1,961	64	3.2
Iron	3,945	3,790	155	3.9	3,946	3,743	203	5.1	3,943	3,767	176	4.5
Knox	1,565	1,510	55	3.5	1,523	1,446	77	5.1	1,589	1,528	61	3.8
Lawrence	17,930	17,324	606	3.4	17,759	17,002	757	4.3	17,618	16,951	667	3.8
Linn	6,226	6,038	188	3.0	6,216	5,983	233	3.7	6,153	5,929	224	3.6
Livingston	6,580	6,397	183	2.8	6,562	6,331	231	3.5	6,539	6,325	214	3.3
Macon	6,507	6,278	229	3.5	6,510	6,184	326	5.0	6,457	6,203	254	3.9
Madison	5,440	5,220	220	4.0	5,418	5,141	277	5.1	5,419	5,182	237	4.4
Maries	4,120	3,996	124	3.0	4,106	3,950	156	3.8	4,029	3,887	142	3.5
McDonald	9,179	8,821	358	3.9	9,195	8,769	426	4.6	8,921	8,510	411	4.6
Mercer	1,659	1,609	50	3.0	1,607	1,540	67	4.2	1,594	1,538	56	3.5
Miller	12,713	12,306	407	3.2	12,576	12,033	543	4.3	12,696	12,257	439	3.5
Monroe	4,065	3,936	129	3.2	3,995	3,825	170	4.3	3,989	3,836	153	3.8
Montgomery	6,014	5,842	172	2.9	5,903	5,688	215	3.6	5,944	5,761	183	3.1
Morgan	9,022	8,648	374	4.1	8,888	8,417	471	5.3	8,772	8,360	412	4.7
New Madrid	7,417	7,100	317	4.3	7,363	6,988	375	5.1	7,556	7,207	349	4.6
Oregon	3,666	3,537	129	3.5	3,642	3,477	165	4.5	3,586	3,433	153	4.3
Ozark	3,405	3,243	162	4.8	3,414	3,176	238	7.0	3,309	3,143	166	5.0
Pemiscot	5,770	5,460	310	5.4	5,737	5,374	363	6.3	5,778	5,478	300	5.2
Perry	10,010	9,741	269	2.7	9,913	9,585	328	3.3	9,941	9,644	297	3.0
Pike	6,943	6,676	267	3.8	6,941	6,620	321	4.6	7,019	6,744	275	3.9
Putnam	2,116	2,059	57	2.7	2,106	2,029	77	3.7	2,098	2,022	76	3.6
Reynolds	2,492	2,390	102	4.1	2,453	2,337	116	4.7	2,476	2,364	112	4.5
Ripley	4,740	4,557	183	3.9	4,730	4,508	222	4.7	4,696	4,501	195	4.2
St. Clair	4,316	4,158	158	3.7	4,240	4,063	177	4.2	4,225	4,055	170	4.0
Ste. Genevieve	9,826	9,552	274	2.8	9,757	9,398	359	3.7	9,897	9,575	322	3.3
Scotland	2,415	2,351	64	2.7	2,361	2,275	86	3.6	2,385	2,312	73	3.1
Shannon	2,976	2,824	152	5.1	2,943	2,749	194	6.6	2,909	2,756	153	5.3
Shelby	3,145	3,069	76	2.4	3,120	2,996	124	4.0	3,097	2,997	100	3.2
Stoddard	13,004	12,541	463	3.6	12,884	12,296	588	4.6	12,925	12,394	531	4.1
Stone	14,228	13,603	625	4.4	14,213	13,367	846	6.0	14,095	13,425	670	4.8
Sullivan	2,740	2,628	112	4.1	2,700	2,567	133	4.9	2,717	2,632	85	3.1
Texas	10,218	9,825	393	3.8	10,153	9,698	455	4.5	10,182	9,777	405	4.0
Vernon	9,825	9,515	310	3.2	9,689	9,328	361	3.7	9,725	9,382	343	3.5
Washington	9,891	9,503	388	3.9	9,861	9,369	492	5.0	9,889	9,448	441	4.5
Wayne	3,912	3,726	186	4.8	3,921	3,679	242	6.2	3,872	3,675	197	5.1
Worth	1,110	1,081	29	2.6	1,076	1,041	35	3.3	1,059	1,027	32	3.0
Wright	7,977	7,658	319	4.0	7,896	7,507	389	4.9	7,836	7,466	370	4.7

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Arnold	11,369	11,012	357	3.1	11,340	10,898	442	3.9	11,462	11,045	417	3.6
Ballwin	16,974	16,421	553	3.3	16,894	16,255	639	3.8	16,998	16,465	533	3.1
Belton	14,336	13,897	439	3.1	14,231	13,718	513	3.6	14,301	13,808	493	3.4
Blue Springs	32,698	31,693	1,005	3.1	32,606	31,357	1,249	3.8	32,778	31,587	1,191	3.6
Cape Girardeau	21,130	20,420	710	3.4	21,220	20,307	913	4.3	21,160	20,393	767	3.6
Chesterfield	25,804	24,968	836	3.2	25,739	24,716	1,023	4.0	25,940	25,034	906	3.5
Columbia	70,945	68,763	2,182	3.1	71,102	68,502	2,600	3.7	70,646	68,337	2,309	3.3
Ferguson	8,959	8,487	472	5.3	8,939	8,402	537	6.0	8,928	8,510	418	4.7
Florissant	29,117	27,839	1,278	4.4	29,091	27,559	1,532	5.3	29,046	27,913	1,133	3.9
Gladstone	14,562	14,052	510	3.5	14,498	13,891	607	4.2	14,590	14,015	575	3.9
Grandview	13,989	13,556	433	3.1	13,953	13,413	540	3.9	14,131	13,511	620	4.4
Hazelwood	13,554	12,906	648	4.8	13,500	12,776	724	5.4	13,500	12,941	559	4.1
Independence	60,322	58,071	2,251	3.7	60,279	57,456	2,823	4.7	60,461	57,876	2,585	4.3
Jefferson City	22,228	21,574	654	2.9	22,247	21,471	776	3.5	22,063	21,361	702	3.2
Joplin	26,413	25,458	955	3.6	26,419	25,328	1,091	4.1	26,092	25,119	973	3.7
Kansas City	285,025	274,950	10,075	3.5	283,585	271,957	11,628	4.1	285,149	274,079	11,070	3.9
Kirkwood	14,864	14,363	501	3.4	14,796	14,218	578	3.9	14,919	14,401	518	3.5
Lee's Summit	58,208	56,462	1,746	3.0	57,932	55,860	2,072	3.6	58,177	56,268	1,909	3.3
Liberty	16,182	15,692	490	3.0	16,129	15,513	616	3.8	16,206	15,651	555	3.4
Maryland Heights	16,650	16,158	492	3.0	16,655	15,995	660	4.0	16,779	16,201	578	3.4
Nixa	13,240	12,857	383	2.9	13,238	12,764	474	3.6	13,194	12,745	449	3.4
O'Fallon	55,708	54,126	1,582	2.8	55,373	53,544	1,829	3.3	55,937	54,294	1,643	2.9
Ozark	11,568	11,208	360	3.1	11,548	11,127	421	3.6	11,480	11,110	370	3.2
Raymore	13,899	13,474	425	3.1	13,766	13,300	466	3.4	13,845	13,387	458	3.3
Raytown	16,015	15,436	579	3.6	15,967	15,273	694	4.3	16,092	15,384	708	4.4
Rolla	9,074	8,719	355	3.9	9,083	8,660	423	4.7	8,931	8,571	360	4.0
St. Charles	40,737	39,418	1,319	3.2	40,578	38,994	1,584	3.9	40,937	39,541	1,396	3.4
St. Joseph	32,510	31,254	1,256	3.9	32,503	31,003	1,500	4.6	32,295	31,033	1,262	3.9
St. Peters	34,792	33,682	1,110	3.2	34,665	33,321	1,344	3.9	34,941	33,787	1,154	3.3
Sedalia	10,908	10,490	418	3.8	10,876	10,398	478	4.4	10,682	10,273	409	3.8
Springfield	88,245	85,183	3,062	3.5	88,234	84,545	3,689	4.2	87,897	84,599	3,298	3.8
University City	20,289	19,576	713	3.5	20,171	19,378	793	3.9	20,298	19,628	670	3.3
Warrensburg	10,055	9,730	325	3.2	9,927	9,521	406	4.1	10,048	9,687	361	3.6
Webster Groves	12,544	12,164	380	3.0	12,503	12,041	462	3.7	12,619	12,196	423	3.4
Wentzville	26,146	25,412	734	2.8	26,054	25,139	915	3.5	26,282	25,491	791	3.0
Wildwood	18,821	18,303	518	2.8	18,754	18,118	636	3.4	18,952	18,352	600	3.2

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3 The Joplin-Miami CSA consists of the Joplin MSA plus the Miami OK Micropolitan Area

4 The Kansas City-Overland Park-Kansas City CSA consists of the Kansas City MSA plus the St. Joseph (MO) and Lawrence (KS) MSAs plus the Warrensburg (MO), Atison (KS) and Ottawa (KS) Micropolitan Areas

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